Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Before asking the supplementary question let me thank the Government for the timely relief.

Deputy President.—No argument is necessary. Put your supplementary question.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Since the floods recur very often do the Government think it necessary to have more number of boats ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.— The question is engaging our attention.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—(e) Was any action taken to set that road right ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—We are taking action to raise that portion of the road.

Extent of playing fields in Ernakulam.

244. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the number of boys attending the Government schools in Ernakulam ;

(2) the extent of the playing fields available to them ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) 993.

(2) 1,500 square yards.

Encroachment on the Chalakkudi—Edakunni Roads.

245. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether they have got removed the encroachment on the Chalakkudi and Edakunni roads in the Ollur bazaar ;

(2) if the answer is in the negative, what is the cause of the delay in getting it done ;

(3) when was the inconvenience caused to the public by keeping the Chalakkudi road in that place narrow, was first brought to the notice of the Government ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(1) and (2). The encroachments proper have been got removed. There are, however, certain leases there which have to be cancelled and the sites got vacated. The Revenue Department is taking action for cancelling the leases.

(3) In 1103.

Enhancement of Salary of Officers.

246. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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(1) the names of officers whose scale of pay has been raised after the advent of the present Diwan;

(2) their scale of pay both before and after the enhancement;

(3) what is the average yearly increase in the expenditure of the state by reason of the above raising of pay?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—(1), (2) and (3) A statement containing the information is appended. (*Appendix X.*)

Public Works Department—contracts.

247. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the full nature of six contracts in descending order, of Public Works, with the contracted amount of each, involving the largest expenditure of public revenue, that have been granted by the Public Works Department during the seven years, preceding the retirement of Mr. Narayana Ayyar from the Diwan-ship of the State;

(b) the names and particulars of the contractors in (a),

(c) the full nature with costs of each, of six items of the Public Works in descending order, the department undertook directly (*i. e.*, without contractors) during the period indicated in (a) and which involved the largest expenditure of public revenue?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) and (b) A list showing the particulars is appended (*Appendix XI.*)

(c) A list of such works is appended (*Appendix XII.*)

Trichur Sirkar High School Students and Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday Celebration.

248. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether some of the students of the Sirkar High School, Trichur, went out of the class-rooms in connection with the birthday celebration of Mahatma Gandhi;

(2) if so how many students absented themselves each day in each class in this connection and of these how many were admitted each day and on what conditions;

(3) did the Headmaster issue any order to the effect that guardians should give an undertaking that the students will not in future take part in such celebrations before they are admitted;

(4) will a copy of the same be placed on the table;

(5) what were the orders of the Director of Public Instruction about this matter and what were the reports of the Headmaster about this incident;

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APPENDIX X.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 246)

Statement of officers whose pay has been raised after the advent of the present Diwan.

Name of officer or post.	Scale of pay before enhancement.	Scale of pay after enhancement.	Average yearly increase.	Remarks
1. LAND REVENUE.				
Revenue Inspectors and clerks (3)	40—60	60—80	720	
Samprathies (2)	60—80	70—80	60	
Do (3)	40—60	60—70	450	
Gollahs (3)	14	20	216	
Parvathiams (70)	16	20	3,360	
Do (84)	14	18	4,032	
Irrigation Inspector (1)	16	20	48	
Village Menons (149)	13	16	5,364	
Do (38)	13	15	912	
2. CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT.				
Assistant Deputy Superintendent of Sea Customs	40—60	60—80	240	
3. LAW AND JUSTICE.				
Registrar of Chief Court Mr. C. Sankara Menon	150—15—300	200—10—300	200	
4. POLICE.				
Reserve Superintendent Mr. T. W. Prince	**100—5—150	200—10—250*	1,254	
5. EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.				
Professors.—.				
1. Mr. K. Narasimha Pai	200—10—300 20—400	400—20—500	1,900	
2. Mr. K. Karunakaran Nayar	do	do	1,900	
3. Mr. P. S. Ramakrishna Ayyar	do	do	1,900	
4. H. H. Keralavarma Thampuran	200—10—300 20—400	250—15—400	400	
5. Mr. G. R. Narayana Ayyar	do	do	400	
6. Mr. T. C. Sankara Menon	do	do	400	
7. Mr. T. K. Sankara Menon	do	do	400	
8. Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiyar	do	do	400	
9. Mr. N. R. Ramachandra Ayyar	do	do	400	
10. Headmaster, Government Training Institution, Mr. T. P. Verghese	125—5—200	200—10—300 —400	1,775	
11. Physical Director, Maharaja's College	40—4—80	80—4½—125	520	
12. Malayalam Pandit do	40—4—80	80—4½—125	520	
13. Sanskrit Pandit do	do	do	520	
6. MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.				
1. Chief Medical & Sanitary Officer Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao	450—40—650	550—50—800	1,650	

*Personal to Mr. Prince. **Mr. Prince was getting a personal allowance of Rs. 100 in addition to the maximum of Rs. 150.

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2. Mother Superior of Indian Nurses of Civil Hospital	20—25	35—40	180
3. Probationary Compounders (3)	10	15	180
7. MILITARY.			
Second-in-Command	80—100	100—125	285
Band-Master	80—100	100—125	285
8. PUBLIC WORKS.			
Jetty Superintendents attached to Canal Offices (4)	30	25—40	300
9. SCIENTIFIC, ETC., INDUSTRIES.			
1. Superintendent, G. T. School, Trichur, Mr. V. K. Achyuta Menon	100—5—150	200—10—250	1,238
2. Temporary Khadar weaving Assistant, G. T. S., Trichur†	18	20	24
3. Drawing master, G. T. S., Ernakulam	20—1½—35	20—1½—50	60
4. Do. Girls' Industrial School for girls	do	do	60
5. Clerk do	20—25	25—40	150
6. Literary teachers of R. I. Schools (18)	17	20	648
10. UPLIFT OF THE DEPRESSED CLASSES.			
Inspector of Co operative Societies	35—50	40—60	105
11. AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.			
Central Farm Manager Mr. K. Kunhisankaran Nayar	60—80*	100—150**	738
			34,194

Cranganur.

LAND REVENUE.

Samprathy	40—60	60—70	150
Parvathiams (3)	16	20	144
Do (2)	14	18	96
Village Menons (5)	13	16	180
Do (2)	13	15	48
Estate Menon	15	16	12
			630

†Temporary post.

*He was given the maximum pay and a personal allowance of Rs. 70.

**Personal to the present Manager.

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